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## SHERIFF'S RACE

### Presents a Rather Startling Condition.

#### Milt Evans Produces Affidavits to Show That He Has Kept Faith With His Opponent.

A very unexpected thing has happened in the Sheriff's race within the last day or two.

The two candidates entered into an agreement under oath on Sept. 23rd to spend no money in the campaign, and to make no canvass. Within the last day or two Milt Evans was very much surprised to learn that his opponent had issued a circular to the voters, claiming that Evans had broken the agreement. Also, Mr. Evans is informed that Mr. Carter is now wholly disregarding the agreement.

Mr. Evans denies positively that he has ever violated the agreement in the slightest particular, and those who know him will not question his statement. He has always been honorable in his transactions and he can be trusted with the important duties of Sheriff's office. The whole matter is laid before the voters without comment.

#### The Agreement.

September 28, 1909.

State of Kentucky,  
County of Lawrence.

This day Milt Evans and John H. Carter, candidates for Sheriff, personally appeared before me and state on oath the following:

That neither of them has put any thing in the campaign nor will not put any thing in, or have their friends to, and further state that they agree not to ride any during the campaign of November, 1909. And further agree that they will not pay back any thing of value to anyone spent during the campaign.

MILT EVANS,  
JOHN H. CARTER.

Subscribed and sworn to by me this September 28, 1909.

WILLIE GRUBB, D. C. L. C.

#### Affidavits of Two Republicans.

October 27, 1909.

State of Kentucky,  
County of Lawrence.

This day Winfield Nickell personally appeared before me and states that he has been at work at Milt Evans' for three weeks and has seen Milt every day except one, and that day he went to Louisa with a load of potatoes. And further states that if Milt has been electioneering, or has been away from home that he knows nothing about it further than to go to mill or something like that.

WINFIELD NICKELL.

Subscribed and sworn to by me this 27th day of Oct., 1909.

WILLIE GRUBB, D. C. L. C.

October 27, 1909.

State of Kentucky,  
County of Lawrence.

This day Loranzy Salyer personally appeared before me and states the following:

That he has lived here on Milt Evans' land for two years, and that Milt has stayed closer home since John H. Carter and Milt made their agreement than he has in the two years. And further states that if Milt has been out electioneering since the agreement was made he knows nothing about it, and he has seen Milt every day since the agreement was made.

LORANZY SALYER.

Subscribed and sworn to by me this 27th day of Oct., 1909.

WILLIE GRUBB, D. C. L. C.

#### Other Affidavits.

October 27, 1909.

State of Kentucky,  
County of Lawrence.

This day Ben Miles personally appeared before me and states the following:

That he lives in a mile and a half from Milt Evans' and that he has seen Milt Evans' house several times in the past three weeks and

says that Milt has been at home every time, and that if Milt has been away from home more than to go to mill or something of that kind he knows nothing of it.

BEN MILES.

Witness: Jolly Towler.  
Subscribed and sworn to by me this 27th day of Oct., 1909.

WILLIE GRUBB, D. C. L. C.

October 27, 1909.

State of Kentucky,  
County of Lawrence.

This day Hester Grubb personally appeared before me and states the following:

That she lives in sight of Milt Evans and that if Milt has been away from home in three weeks she knows nothing about it except to go to town with a load of potatoes.

HESTER GRUBB.

Subscribed and sworn to by me this 27th day of Oct., 1909.

WILLIE GRUBB, D. C. L. C.

### Big Gasser in Morgan.

Early in last week a big gas well was drilled in Morgan county, where two rigs have been in operation for several months. The gasser is sized up as a 1,000,000 cubic feet producer, is one of the best yet drilled in upper Kentucky. If the success is followed up, the product of wells will probably be utilized for commercial purposes. Efforts to find oil in Morgan county in paying quantities have so far failed.

## FOR JAMES W. HINKLE.

### Letter From a Well Known Republican Neighbor of Mr. Hinkle's.

I feel very grateful to my Democratic friends of Lawrence county for their wise choice in the selection of Mr. J. W. Hinkle, of Richardson, Ky., to fight their battle for the County Attorneyship in the coming November election. Knowing Mr. Hinkle from childhood I can say to the voters of Lawrence county without any hesitancy whatever that in the person of Mr. Hinkle you have before you a man of sterling character and possessed of all the qualifications necessary to execute the duties of this office with the greatest of satisfaction to the taxpayers of the county and with honors to himself.

This being the most important office in the county as concerns the taxpayer it is very essential to the future welfare of the county that such a man as we have in the person of Mr. Hinkle be inducted into this office the coming election with a majority that will make him feel so proud that he will be unable to give utterance to words that will express his feelings toward his friends of dear old Lawrence for their loyalty.

Mr. Hinkle and the writer differ in our views politically. Having been a voter for fifteen years the casting of my ballot for him for County Attorney at the approaching election will be the birthday of my Democratic support.

I earnestly appeal to the voters upon their entrance into the booths in November to let one common sense and noble thought pass through your mind as regards your interest. If you do this you will be careful to find the name of J. W. Hinkle under the rooster and put your cross where he will get the benefit of same.

I assure you by supporting this man and he coming out victorious over his opponent in this political battle in the future you will not have one single cause to regret it.

I have been acquainted with Mr. Hinkle for twenty-seven years. All of this time he has been a resident of Lawrence county. As to his ability in handling the county's finance there is no one in the county that I would trust more than J. W. Hinkle. My reason for speaking thus is I had him employed in a civil suit where there was involved several thousand dollars, he being the youngest lawyer in the case. By his keen sightedness and legal talent he won this case. However, there were three other lawyers in said case who had had years of experience, his opponent, W. T. Cain, being one of them. Respectfully,

CLINT WALLACE.

Richardson, Ky.

## JAY O'DANIEL

### Presents His Claims to the Voters.

#### Gives a Number of Good Reasons to Our Citizens Why He Should be Elected.

Although I have been riding continually for the past five weeks in my canvass of this county, I would love to make the acquaintance of each and every voter. I realize at this time that there are many I will be unable to meet, and I desire through the columns of your paper to make a few statements in regard to my race and to urge my friends throughout the county to be zealous and active in looking after my interests.

As evidence of my qualification and fitness for the office to which I aspire, I wish to state that I have been actively engaged in teaching for the past sixteen years. I have taught twelve public schools and nine select or normal schools in this county. I was also principal of the graded school at Soldier, Ky., for two years, and for the past two years I was principal of the Olive Hill Graded School, a school employing five teachers with a census enrollment of nearly 600 pupil children.

I desire to say further that I have been solicited by numerous persons, both Democrats and Republicans, before each county election for the past eight years to make the race for Superintendent of Schools with promises of loyal support.

I have always been averse to entering politics as a candidate for office. None of my immediate relatives or myself have ever at any time asked for an office before, but upon the repeated solicitations of my friends and with a full realization of the splendid opportunities that the office affords for rendering valuable service to my county by way of bettering the schools, elevating the standard of education and arousing interest both among the patrons and the children of our county, I desire to make this race.

I am asking the voters for only one chance and if elected to this office I promise to use every means within my power to better the conditions of our schools.

Mr. Voter, do you know that there are sections of this, our own county, where children live over five miles from the nearest school building? Do you know there are children that are 10 years of age who have never seen a school house, who live so far from the nearest school building that they have never attended school? Do you know that our present Superintendent, Mr. Thompson, has had his attention repeatedly called to these conditions and has refused to remedy them because some few parties of influence were opposed to it. If you do not know go to the upper borders of Rockcastle precinct and get the evidence of some of our county's best citizens.

Do you know, Mr. Voter, that there are five or six districts in this county without a vestige of a school building and many other places the children are compelled to attend school in houses unfit for barns for your stock?

Investigate, Mr. Taxpayer, and see whether or not you can support a man for re-election who has thus neglected your interests in almost every section of the county.

Inquire if your present Superintendent has faithfully discharged his duties in regard to visiting your schools. How many boys and girls have been fired by his talks on these visits, with a desire for a better education and inspired with nobler thoughts that would lead them to useful citizens and better men and women? Can you point to one? Does not the Superintendent have a great opportunity for good along this line? Where is the interest Mr. Thompson has shown during his term of office?

Mr. Voter, think of these things. You know what the conditions are

in many of our schools today. Are you not sufficiently interested in the education and welfare of your children to make an effort through your suffrage to better these conditions? I ask you not only for my interests but for your own as well, to think seriously on this subject; lay prejudices aside; give me an opportunity to look after your interests in the schools and I give you my sacred promise that I will not betray them if elected.

All my sympathies are enlisted in that line of work, and if elected I will faithfully discharge my duties as Superintendent regardless of fear or favor, and I verily believe you will never regret voting for

JAY O'DANIEL.

### M. E. Church in Kentucky.

Number of members, 23,111; increase, 730. Probationers, 1,516; decrease, 357. Number of Sunday Schools, 247; scholars, 18,025; conversions in Sunday Schools, 266; adults baptized, 1,726; children baptized, 468; amount paid on ministerial support, \$59,493; Conference claimants, Preachers' Relief Association, \$1,916; Book Concern dividend, \$723; total for missions, \$4,419; Board of Sunday Schools, \$118 Home Missions and Church Extension, \$1,719; Freedmen's Aid Society, \$252; Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, \$1,497; Woman's Home Missionary Society, \$386; Bible Society, \$110.

## DROPPED DEAD.

### Henry C. Evans Has a Sudden Fall Into Eternity.

This community was startled on Monday morning last by the news that Henry Evans, an elderly man who resided not far from James Vinson's, had dropped dead in Compton's blacksmith shop, in the same neighborhood.

Mr. Evans had gone to the shop to procure a couple of bolts. He got them and took them home. He returned shortly afterward, and saying they were not the right size he asked for others. He stood near the front door waiting for Compton to make the exchange, and just as they were about to be given to him he sank to the floor. He never spoke, but died in a very few minutes. Medical aid was summoned as quickly as possible but Mr. Evans was dead when Dr. Burgess arrived. He probably died of heart failure. No inquest was held. The body was immediately carried to the residence of the dead man, and on the following day it was taken to his former home for interment.

Mr. Evans came to Louisa from the Laurel fork of Blaine, about five miles from the mouth of Hood. He had been married twice, his second wife being a Mrs. Cleveland. Mr. Evans left several children, all grown. Mrs. Chris Nicewander and Chilt Evans, of Louisa, are his children. He was over 70 years of age.

### R. D. Strother Dead.

R. D. Strother, a Confederate veteran, died October 21 at the State Confederate Home, at Pewee Valley. Six weeks ago he returned in a feeble condition to the home from a visit to relatives at Catlettsburg. Since he had been confined at the infirmary of the institution and his condition gradually grew worse. Pneumonia recently developed, causing his death.

He was born in Lawrence county, February 3, 1832. He enlisted in the Confederate army August 6, 1862, and served in Company C of the Fifth Kentucky Infantry regiment until the close of the war. He was admitted to the home in 1903 from Williamson, W. Va.

The body of Mr. Strother was sent to Catlettsburg for burial.

### Simply R. D.

Hereafter the R. F. D. will be simply R. D., and you can mark your mail matter "R. D." The government has issued orders that the word "free" be dropped and that the service be known as Rural Delivery. The service has become so general that there is no longer any need to assign the free part of the title.

## FOR TEMPERANCE.

### Prichard and Vaughan are Sincere Advocates.

#### The Lines are Drawn in the Legislative Races on the Wet and Dry Issue.

Jerome T. Prichard, for State Senator, is an avowed temperance man and it is the solemn duty of every voter who is honestly and sincerely against liquor to vote for him. The liquor men are fighting for every inch of ground possible in the Legislature of Kentucky. A vote for Prichard and Vaughan is practically a direct vote for the County Unit bill.

Last week we asked some very pointed questions of Giles Wright, the opponent of Mr. Prichard. He has not answered the questions and he dare not do so. This is not an electioneering scheme. Mr. Wright knows what it means.

We ask him if he did not sign a private agreement with the liquor men to vote their way in the Legislature. Then, later, when it seemed necessary to assume an opposite position before the temperance people, did he not, under a private agreement with the liquor men, issue a vote-catching statement claiming that he would support temperance issues? Also, did he not chastise his son for taking part in the temperance parade in Ashland on the morning of the local option election a few months ago?

Can any sincere temperance advocate allow himself to be caught in a trap set by the liquor men?

Look what they did to Brig Harris, of Boyd county, the only candidate for the Republican nomination for the Legislature from Boyd and Lawrence. He is a temperance man. When the convention met it was found to be packed to the doors with all the thugs, bloats and saloonists of Ashland and Catlettsburg, and amid hideous yells and all sorts of disgraceful conduct they nominated a tool of this element for the Legislature. Then it was that the decent Republicans of Ashland and Catlettsburg made a demand that resulted in the nomination of Hon. W. J. Vaughan, of Lawrence county, the well known Sunday School organizer and lecturer whose reputation is not confined to the State of Kentucky. He would make a Representative of whom every citizen in this district would be proud. No district in the State could boast of a man more worthy or better fitted. He is not a politician, but is every inch a man, and always stands for the right. He is one of the most capable and winning public speakers that Eastern Kentucky has ever produced. Is it possible that such a man could fall of election under the existing conditions? It is not reasonable to believe that enough political prejudice exists to bring about such a result next Tuesday.

### Burke-Holbrook.

On the 16th of this month Miss May Burke and Arnie Holbrook, both of Louisa, were united in marriage. It was not generally known until late last week that the marriage had occurred, and the news created considerable surprise.

The bride is a very pretty and amiable young woman, and is operator No. 2 in the Louisa telephone exchange. The groom came to this city from Blaine, and is at present a traveling salesman for a shoe company.

They were married at the parsonage by the Rev. Dr. Hanford, of the M. E. Church.

### These Were Dined.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Burns, Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Reld and Mrs. H. A. Scholze were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell on Tuesday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Wager, of Ashland, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell. They remained from Tuesday evening until Wednesday afternoon.

### Capitalists and Others.

C. R. Hellier, Albert Phenix and Supt. J. A. Fox were prospecting in the Elkhorn coking region several days last week. Mr. Hellier is a Boston man of money and brains and a large stockholder in the big coal property about Elkhorn City and the little mining town of Hellier. Albert Phenix is the able correspondent of the "Manufacturers' Record," and is one of the best posted men on mining and railroad development in America. He is writing up this section for his paper, and elsewhere in the NEWS will be found a very interesting and instructive article from his pen. It was expected that the party would be increased this week by the addition of several capitalists from Eastern cities, and they would make a tour of inspection over the entire coking coal region. The party is using the private car of Mr. Fox.

### Appreciated at Effie.

Rev. L. M. Copley, of Louisa, Ky., lectured on the Bible at the Baptist Church Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night, showing God's dealings with man from creation of man to the final consummation. His lectures were very interesting. He has a great store of knowledge. He has surely burned lots of midnight oil. Our people seemed well pleased with the lecture.—Effie cor. Wayne News.

## MILTON DALE KILLED.

### Lawrence County Citizen Has Neck Broken in Coal Mine.

Milton Dale, of Richardson, was instantly killed in a coal mine at Glen Alum, W. Va., on last Monday, October 25. He had a contract of some sort with the company which required his presence in the mines. On the day of the deplorable accident Dale was riding in a coal "buggy" which was going at a high rate of speed. Those who are familiar with such places know that in the various entries and chambers of the mines there are places where the roof is much lower than at others. One of these places was hit by the car on which Dale was riding with such force that his neck was broken, killing him instantly. The body was sent to Richardson, passing through Louisa on Tuesday. Dale was about 30 years of age. He left a widow and two children.

### Delegates Have Returned.

The Grand bodies of Kentucky Masonry which convened in Louisville Tuesday of last week for a three days' session closed a busy meeting Thursday afternoon, and all delegates from this section who attended the 109th annual convention of the State organization, have returned home, and bring back glowing accounts of a most eventful session.

In addition to the election of officers at the meeting of the Grand Chapter, several important committees were appointed, and an important resolution, which proposed the contribution of \$5,000 to the Old Masonic Home in Shelbyville, for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a new home to cost \$30,000, was introduced and referred to the Finance Committee.

### Mashed Its Finger.

While Edgar McClure, of the laundry, was using the ringer in his place of business Wednesday afternoon his little two-and-a-half-years old daughter, Lou Ellen, thrust her left hand between the rollers. When the hand was withdrawn it was seen that one finger was badly mashed. The parents took the child to the hospital where the injury was dressed.

### Was Never Known To Fall.

On last Saturday morning a thunder and lightning storm manifested itself in this section, accompanied by quite a heavy rain. Thunder so late in October is not very common. Its occurrence indicates snow in January and warm weather the following July.